

A WARM WELCOME
to Visitors and Newcomers!



Our Children's Ministry
Meets downstairs during the 11 a.m. service most weeks. The children will process downstairs during the Gradual Hymn.



Washroom Facilities are located through the tunnel on the right side of the chancel and down the stairs. There is also an accessible washroom in the South Transept (to the right of the Chancel).



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The Cathedral **MESSENGER**

**Welcome to the Anglican Cathedral of
St. John the Baptist
19 January 2025
The Second Sunday after Epiphany
The Week of Prayer for Christian Unity**

Coming up this week...

Wednesday 7:30 p.m. The Cathedral Choir Crypt

The Annual Congregational Meeting is scheduled for February 16th, immediately following the 11 a.m. service. We will need to **elect 4 new Vestry members, a Youth Vestry member, and a new People's Warden.** If you are interested in putting your name forward for any of these positions on Vestry, please contact the Dean or one of the Wardens. The Financial Statements for 2024 will not be available at this meeting, but will be presented to the Congregation when they are available.

2024 Annual Reports due January 31st: Please arrange to have your 2024 Annual Reports sent to Jill Kenny by Friday, January 31st. If your report needs to be typed, please deliver it to the Parish Office to the attention of Jill. Otherwise, you can send it electronically to office@ourcathedral.ca. Thank you for your timely attention. Please note: If you are not sure if you should prepare a report, please contact the Cathedral office @ 726-5677.

Please note that our Vicar, the Rev'd Gail Dick, will be away from the Parish for a few weeks on family matters. She plans to return in February.

WHMA Mission Boxes are ready to be picked up for this year. These boxes will be collected again next Advent. Donations through these Mission Boxes support the work of the WHMA (Women's Home Mission Association) which, among other things, provides a scholarship to a student from coastal Labrador each year. If you would like to have a Mission Box, please take one with no name or request one through the Office.

Monthly Special Offering Intentions: Our special intention for this month is **"Initial giving for the New Year"**. Please write **"Initial"** on your envelope or in the memo of your electronic donation.

We gratefully acknowledge donations to:

The Endowment Fund † *In memory of Dorothy Noel* from Anthea and Michael Donnan.

The General Fund † *In loving memory of our Mother, Doreen Facey, on the anniversary of her death* from, Anthea, Christopher, Nigel, Nicholas, Timothy and Families.

The General Fund † *in memory of Winston Green*, From Jennifer, Geoff, and David.

Upcoming Sunday Services:

January 26th: 3rd Sunday after Epiphany

– 9 a.m. BCP said Eucharist

– 11 a.m. BCP Choral Mattins

February 2nd: The Presentation of Christ (Candlemas)

– 11 a.m. BCP Choral Eucharist

February 9th: 5th Sunday after Epiphany

– 11 a.m. BAS Choral Eucharist & Baptism

February 16th: Septuagesima

– 11 a.m. BCP Choral Eucharist

Weekday Morning Prayer:

9:30 a.m. Tuesday, Wednesday, & Thursday

Lectionary Readings for next Sunday, January 26th:

Nehemiah 8:1-3, 5-6, 8-10; Psalm 19; 1 Corinthians 12:12-31a; Luke 4:14-21.

Lent 2025

Lent begins with Ash Wednesday, which is on March 5th this year. Even though we are still in Epiphany, our planning for Lent has already begun. We are planning a couple of changes to the way we will observe Lent, and we would appreciate any feedback you may have for us.

Wednesday Compline: for many years we have held a mid-week service of Compline throughout Lent. In the past few years attendance at this service has been extremely low. Last year, regular attendance was less than 5 people (other than the choir and clergy), and there were weeks with 1 or 2, and even no people in the congregation. As much as we love Compline, we have to question whether we continue with this practice. Knowing that some people will join the service on-line, we could perhaps make services from previous years available at the appropriate times. If you would like to share your thoughts about Lenten Compline, please contact the Dean.

Lenten Book Study: on Sundays in Lent we will be taking a **virtual journey to the holy land**, with the guidance of the Very Rev'd Canon Richard Sewell, Dean of St. George's College in Jerusalem. During the pandemic, realizing that people were not able to make pilgrimages to the holy lands, Dean Sewell prepared a Lenten Study with reflections, videos, and study questions, to allow people to join in a virtual pilgrimage. That study is now available in book form. We will use this book to guide us on a virtual journey this Lent. The book is called, **"River through the Desert: a Lenten journey in the holy land,"** by Richard Sewell. You can purchase the book yourself (about \$22 through on-line sites such as Amazon and Chapters-Indigo) or the Dean is happy to make a bulk purchase. So, if you are interested in this study, **please contact the Dean**. Also, please let the Dean know if you would like him to purchase the book on your behalf. The plan is to meet in the Crypt at 4 p.m. each Sunday in Lent: we would share the reflection, watch the video, and look at the questions provided. For those who want to stay on, we could then share supper together. We would hopefully be finished by about 6 or 6:30, giving people time to get home before dark (through most of the weeks!). Please speak to the Dean for more information

11:00 a.m. Choral Eucharist (BCP)

Setting: Ireland in C

Opening Hymn: **393 Praise to the Lord, the almighty** *Lobe den herren*

The Lord's Prayer & Collect for Purity BCP p. 67

The Summary of the Law, *Kyrie eleison* p. 69

The Collect of the Day

The Proclamation of the Word

Isaiah 62:1-5 Heather Andres

Psalm 36:5-10 p. 374

1 Corinthians 12:1-11 Gordon Noseworthy

Gradual Hymn: **CP 162 Sing of God made manifest** *Salzburg*

The Holy Gospel: John 2:1-11

The Nicene Creed p. 71

Sermon **The Very Reverend Roger Whalen**

Offertory Sentence

Offertory Hymn: **246 Thou, who at thy first Eucharist** *Song 1*

The Intercessions

The Holy Communion

Invitation, Confession, Absolution, & Comfortable Words p. 76

Sursum corda

Thanksgiving and Consecration p. 78

Sanctus & Benedictus

The Peace, Prayer of Humble Access, *Agnus dei* p. 83

THE COMMUNION

Anthem: **Behold how good and joyful a thing it is**

John Clarke-Whitfield

The Lord's Prayer, Thanksgiving p. 85

The Gloria

The Blessing

Closing Hymn: **561 Thy hand, O God, has guided** *Thornbury*

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2025 Calendars featuring the Cathedral's beautiful stained-glass windows are now available for \$15.

Sing of God made manifest

in a child robust and blest,
to whose home in Bethlehem
where a star had guided them,
Magi came and gifts unbound,
signs mysterious and profound:
myrrh and frankincense and gold
grave and God and King foretold.

2. Sing of God made manifest
when at Jordon John confessed,
"I should be baptized by you,
but your bidding I will do."
Then from heaven a double sign—
dove-like Spirit, voice divine—
hailed the true Anointed One:
"This is my beloved Son."

3. Sing of God made manifest
when Christ came as wedding guest
and at Cana gave a sign,
turning water into wine;
further still was love revealed
as he taught, forgave, and healed,
bringing light and life to all
who would listen to God's call.

4. Sing of God made manifest
on the cloud-capped mountain's crest,
where both voice and vision waned
until Christ alone remained:
glimpse of glory, pledge of grace,
given as Jesus set his face
towards the waiting cross and grave,
sign of hope that God would save.